National Transportation Safety Board NTSB ID: ANC01LA031 Aircraft Registration Number: N7340U FACTUAL REPORT Occurrence Date: 01/19/2001 Most Critical Injury: None Occurrence Type: Accident Investigated By: NTSB ETYBO Location/Time Nearest City/Place State Zip Code Local Time Time Zone 99576 1635 AST **KONGIGANAK** ΑK Distance From Landing Facility: Direction From Airport: Airport Proximity: Off Airport/Airstrip Aircraft Information Summary Aircraft Manufacturer Model/Series Type of Aircraft Cessna 207 Airplane Sightseeing Flight: No Air Medical Transport Flight: No

Narrative

Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:

On January 19, 2001, about 1635 Alaska standard time, a wheel equipped Cessna 207 airplane, N7340U, sustained substantial damage during takeoff from the Kongiganak Airport, Kongiganak, Alaska. The airplane was being operated as a visual flight rules (VFR) on-demand charter flight transporting mail under Title 14, CFR Part 135, when the accident occurred. The airplane was owned by Gussic Ventures Partnership, doing business as Hageland Aviation Services, Inc., Anchorage, Alaska. The solo commercial pilot was not injured. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed, and company visual flight rules (VFR) flight following procedures were in effect for the flight to Bethel, Alaska.

During a telephone conversation with the National Transportation Safety Board investigator-in-charge on January 20, the pilot reported that runway 36 had a light accumulation of freshly plowed snow. He added that winds were strong out of the east, estimated to be 20 knots, gusting to 25 knots, which required a correction for a right crosswind. The pilot said while on the departure roll, about half-way down the runway, the airplane veered to the left. He said that in an attempt to maintain runway alignment, he applied full right rudder, and full right aileron. Just before takeoff, the airplane's left main wheel contacted soft snow on the left side of the runway. The airplane pivoted 90 degrees to the left, and nosed over. The airplane sustained substantial damage to the fuselage, both wings, and empennage.

The pilot indicated that there were no preaccident anomalies with the airplane.

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Landing Facility/Approach Information													
Airport Name	Airport ID:	Airport Elevation Runw			way Used	ay Used Runway Lengt		h	Runw	ay Width			
KONGIGANAK					Ft. N	MSL	36 18			1880		35	
Runway Surface Type: Gravel													
Runway Surface Condition: Snowdry													
Type Instrument Approach: NONE													
VFR Approach/Landing: None													
Aircraft Information													
Aircraft Manufacturer Cessna			Mode 207	el/Seri	es						rial Number 1700407		
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Normal													
Landing Gear Type: Tricycle													
Homebuilt Aircraft? No	Certifi	Certified Max Gross Wt.					3800 LBS Numbe			r of Engines: 1			
Engine Type: Unknown		Engine Manufacturer: Model/Series: Continental IO-520-F27B						Rated Po 300 HP					
- Aircraft Inspection Information													
Type of Last Inspection	Date of Last Inspection Time Si				Since Last Inspection				Airframe Total Time				
Unknown	01/05/2001				65.5 Hours			12114.6 Hours					
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information												
ELT Installed? No ELT Operated? No ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site? No)				
Owner/Operator Information													
Registered Aircraft Owner Street Address P.O.Box 22610													
Gussic Ventures	City	City							State		Zip Code		
										99522			
Operator of Aircraft	Operator of Aircraft Street Address P.O.BOX 22610												
HAGELAND AVIATION SERV	City						State	- 1	Zip Code 99522				
Operator Does Business As:	Operator Designator Code: EPUA												
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held:													
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s): Commuter Air Carrier; On-demand Air Taxi													
Operating Certificate: Operator Certificate:													
Regulation Flight Conducted Under	r: Part 135: Air Ta	xi & Co	mmuter										
Type of Flight Operation Conducted	d: Unknown												
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AVIAT	Occurrent	ce Type: Acc	cident									
First Pilot Information												
Name				City			State	Date of Birth	Age			
On File			On File			On File	On File	30				
Sex: M Seat Occupied	d: Unknown	Pri	ncipal Profes	n Pilot		Cei	tificate Nur	mber: On File				
Certificate(s): Commercial												
Airplane Rating(s): Multi-engine Land; Single-engine Land												
Rotorcraft/Glider/LTA: None												
Instrument Rating(s): Airplane												
Instructor Rating(s): None												
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? No Current Biennial Flight Review? 11/19/2000												
Medical Cert.: Unknown	al Cert. Statu	s: Valid Med	ivers/lim.									
- Flight Time Matrix All A/C This Make and Model			Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Mult-Engine	Night	Ins Actual	trument Simulated	Rotorcra	ft Glider	Lighter Than Air		
Total Time	925	100	885	40	60		9	0				
Pilot In Command(PIC)	700	92	700	200	60		9	0				
Instructor												
Last 90 Days	165	95										
Last 30 Days	55	55										
Last 24 Hours	5	5			<u> </u>							
Seatbelt Used? Yes	Shou	ılder Harness	Used? Yes		Toxico	ology Perfo	rmed? No		Second Pilot? N	lo		
Flight Plan/Itinerary												
Type of Flight Plan Filed: C	company VF	R										
Departure Point					State	Ai	irport Identifier Departure Time T			Time Zone		
Same as Accident/Incident				D	JY	163	30	AST				
Destination			State	e Ai	Airport Identifier							
BETHEL			AK		ĒΤ							
Type of Clearance: None												
Type of Airspace: Class D												
Weather Information												
Source of Briefing: Company; National Weather Service												
Method of Briefing: Telephone												
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Weather Information													
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF	Elevatio	n	WOF D	OF Distance From Accident Site				Direction From Accident Site		
				Ft.	MSL				NM		Deg. Mag.		
Sky/Lowes	st Cloud Condition: Clea			!	Ft.	AGL	Condition of Light: Day						
Lowest Ce	eiling: None	Ft. <i>F</i>	 4GL	Visib	Visibility: 50 SI			Alti	Altimeter: "Hç				
Temperatu	°C	Wind	Direction	virection: 90 Density Altitude:									
Wind Spee		Weather Condtions at Accident Site: Visual Conditions											
Visibility (RVR): 0 Ft. Visibility (RVV) (SM	Intensity of Precipitation:							
Restrictions to Visibility: None													
Type of Precipitation: None													
Accident Information													
Aircraft Damage: Aircraft F					:	Aircraft Ex				losio	n		
Classificati	Classification:												
- Injury Su	mmary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor		None	TOTAL						
First Pi	ilot					1		1					
Second	d Pilot												
Studen	nt Pilot												
Flight I	nstructor												
Check	Pilot												
Flight E	Engineer												
Cabin /	Attendants												
Other (Crew												
Passer	ngers												
- TOTAL A	ABOARD -					1		1					
Other 0	Ground	0	0		0			o					
- GRANE	O TOTAL -	0	0		0	1		1					

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Administrative Information

Investigator-In-Charge (IIC)

CLINTON O. JOHNSON

Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Incident Investigation:

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